UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

| Dana Albrecht, |) | |
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| Plaintiff |) | |
| v. |) | Civil No. 1:23-cv-00381-JL-TSM |
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| Kathleen Sterneberg, et al. |) | |
| |) | |
| Defendants. |) | |

PLAINTIFF'S OBJECTION TO KATHLEEN STERNENBERG'S MOTION TO DISMISS

NOW COMES Dana Albrecht, *pro se*, and objects to Kathleen Sternenberg's *Motion to Dismiss*; and, in support thereof, further states:

- 1. Plaintiff has contemporaneously filed an accompanying *Memorandum of Law* setting forth more developed argument in objection to Ms. Sternenberg's *Motion*.
- 2. All arguments in Plaintiff's *Memorandum* are incorporated here, the same as if plead in full. In summary, however, Plaintiff argues that:
- 3. 42 U.S.C. § 1983 should be understood to eliminate judicial immunity.¹
- 4. Court appointed *guardian ad litems* should be afforded qualified, not absolute quasi-judicial immunity.²

¹ A recent article in the Harvard Law Review is also provided in direct support of this argument. *Attachment 2.* Plaintiff respectfully acknowledges, however, that such argument is likely foreclosed in this jurisdiction at this time.

² *Id*.

- 5. Defendant Sternenberg was improperly appointed in Plaintiff's family law matter by Defendant Introcaso.
- 6. Defendant Sternenberg's actions, at issue in this case, were not "normal and routine" judicial acts.
- 7. The legal doctrines of "joint liability" and "reliance" apply both to Defendant Sternenberg and Defendant Introcaso; consequently, it is premature for this Court to dismiss any claims against Defendant Sternenberg without having first formed any opinion about the claims against Defendant Introcaso.
- 8. In particular, Defendant Introcaso was criminally charged as a consequence of her behavior after appointing Defendant Sternenberg in a different family law matter. See, e.g., Attachment 4 and <u>State of New Hampshire v. Julie A.</u> Introcaso, No. 226-2021-CR-00126.
- 9. Moreover, Plaintiff seeks only a declaratory judgment, has not requested equitable relief or any award of financial damages, and has sued Defendant Sternenberg in her official capacity.
- 10. Finally, Plaintiff should be granted leave to amend his Complaint if "justice so requires."
- 11. Consequently, Defendant Sternenberg's *Motion to Dismiss* should be denied.

WHEREFORE Plaintiff Dana Albrecht respectfully requests that the Court:

- A) Deny Defendant Sternenberg's *Motion to Dismiss* for the reasons set forth in his accompanying *Memorandum of Law*; or,
- B) Hold a hearing on Defendant Sternenberg's Motion to Dismiss; and,
- C) For all other such relief as is just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

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October 12, 2023.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Dana Albrecht, hereby certify that a copy of this *Objection* shall be served to all the parties and/or counsel of record through the ECF system.

DANA ALBRECHT

October 12, 2023